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In re Application of	:	
Mirlinda BIBA et al.	:	
Application No. 10/526,782	:	<b>DECISION ON PETITION</b>
Filed: March 04, 2005	:	
Attorney Docket No. 21181P	:	

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 23, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is **not** a final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

The application became abandoned for failure s to timely pay the issue and publication fees on or before September 26, 2008, as required by the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, mailed June 26, 2008, which set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on September 27, 2008.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by 37 CFR 1.137(d). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Director may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(C) and (D). The instant petition lacks item (3).

**Petitioner did not provide the required statement of unintentional delay.**

**37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that “the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.”**

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